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## PAGDIRIWANG NG IKA-126 ANIBERSARYO NG PROKLAMASYON NG ARAW NG KALAYAAN SA DAMBANA NI EMILIO AGUINALDO SA KAWIT, CAVITE



Isang malaking karangalan po para sa akin ang maging bahagi at magbasa ng Katitikan ng Pagpapahayag ng Pagsasarili ng Bayang Filipino sa ginanap na programa ngayong araw sa Aguinaldo Shrine sa Kawit, Cavite bilang paggunita at pagdiriwang ng ika-126 na Araw ng Kalayaan ng Pilipinas na may temang: "Kalayaan. Kinabukasan. Kasaysayan."

Kasama ang ating panauhing pandangal na si Senador Ramon Bong Revilla, Jr., at sina Gobernador Juanito Victor Jonvic Remulla Jr., at Punong Bayan ng Kawit Angelo G. Aguinaldo ay nag-alay tayo ng pagpaparangal sa libingan ni Heneral Emilio Aguinaldo at muli nating sinariwa ang isang mahalagang bahagi ng ating mayamang kasaysayan kung kailan natamasa ng ating Inang Bayan ang kasarinlan mula sa kamay ng mga dayuhan.

Tiyak na sa ating patuloy na pagkakaisa ay malinaw ang matatanaw nating bukas kung saan dama ng bawat Pilipino ang tunay na kahulugan ng kaunlaran, kapayapaan, kalayaan, at kadakilaan ng ating lahi tungo sa katuparan ng isang Bagong Pilipinas.

Mabuhay ang Sambayanang Pilipino! Mabuhay ang ating kalayaan! Mabuhay ang ating Inang Bayan!  
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## PGC goes to Mendez for another leg of Cavite Career Caravan



As the provincial government continues its pursuit of providing better future to young Caviteño hopefuls, the Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager (OPPESM), under the supervision of Ms. Rizalie Enero, goes to Mendez, Cavite on June 07, 2024 for another leg of Cavite Career Caravan giving Mendezeños a range of employment opportunities for growth and development.

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## Gov't hospitals urged to add hemodialysis units as CKD patients surge

Amid the surge in the number of Filipinos living with chronic kidney disease (CKD), Quezon City 4th District Rep. Marvin Rillo urged public hospitals to avail of additional funding from the Health Facilities Enhancement Program (HFEP).

"We would urge all public hospitals to seek HFEP funding so that they can increase their hemodialysis stations and accommodate more CKD patients," Rillo, a member of the House Committee on Appropriations, said in a news release on Sunday.

"The HFEP has an allocation of PHP28.5 billion in the 2024 General Appropriations Law, and Congress is providing fresh funding for the program every year," Rillo said.

He said the HFEP bankrolls the construction, upgrading, or expansion of public healthcare facilities and the procurement of additional hospital or medical equipment.

The country is observing National Kidney Month this June "to raise public awareness of the fatal consequences of renal diseases."

CKD is among the leading causes of sickness and death in the Philippines.

Patients with CKD undergo hemodialysis treatment up to three times every week, with each session lasting for four hours.

"Public hospitals must guarantee Filipinos living with CKD ready and uninterrupted access to hemodialysis treatment to assure them a superior quality of life," Rillo said.

Last month, through Rillo's efforts, the East Avenue Medical Center in Quezon City and Passion Healthcare Philippines Inc. agreed to work together to provide sustained hemodialysis treatment to disadvantaged CKD patients.

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# Philippines-China award, a flagship of friendship

Six outstanding Filipinos were honored Friday night as the 2024 laureates of the Awards for Promoting Philippines-China Understanding (APPCU).

Given recognitions at a gala dinner at the Manila Hotel were Hall of Fame awardees businessman Larry Tan Villareal, professor and pioneer APCU member Gabriel "Gabby" Ma. Lopez, Outstanding Contribution awardees Special Envoy to China and businessman Benito Techico and Cagayan Governor Manuel Mamba, and Major Contribution awardees award-winning literary writer Cua Ching Tam and civic leader and educator Lily Tan Lim.

Former Sec Raul Lambino, Chairman of the

many benefits to the country and to the Filipino people.

Chinese Ambassador Huang Xilian said the awards have become a flagship of friendship, a shining example of close neighbors in mutual respect despite ups and downs in its diplomatic relations.

More and more people should join the great cause and safeguard our long lasting friendship, he said citing the laureates as esteemed models.

Video Messages of support and congratulations came from



organizing Association for Philippines-China Understanding (APCU) said the 2024 laureates are pride of the Filipino people for helping build the bridges of understanding and friendship with the peoples of China in their respective fields.

He said APCU is at the forefront of people-to-people diplomacy since 1972 that has brought

former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo who was in Tagum City in Davao del Norte and from Ambassador Jaime Flor-Cruz who was in Beijing, China.

There were also similar taped remarks from Senate President Francis "Chiz" Escudero and Senator Christopher "Bong" Go.

They all paid tribute to

the continuing efforts by APCU and by many Filipinos working for better ties between the two countries.

The Publishers Association of the Philippines Inc (PAPI) was one of the official media partners of the awards.

The Philippines and China will mark the 49th year anniversary of their diplomatic relations initiated by former First

Lady Imelda Marcos in 1974 and signed by former President Ferdinand Marcos Sr on June 9, 1975. (PAPI News)

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# DTI-Laguna Inspects 7 Firms To Monitor Compliance with the DTI Bagwis Awards Parameters

SANTA CRUZ, LAGUNA – The Department of Trade and Industry - Laguna Provincial Office (DTI-Laguna), through its Consumer Protection Division, conducted onsite assessment for the DTI Bagwis Awards on May 31, 2024, in the following cities/municipalities: Bay, Los Baños, Calamba, and Santa Rosa City. This regular monitoring and evaluation activity aimed to identify retail establishments that will be given due recognition for practicing responsible and truthful business.



A total of seven (7) establishments engaged in selling home furniture and fixtures and DTI-accredited motor vehicle service and repair enterprises were visited and assessed. On-the-spot inspection, observation, and interview with the store supervisors, managers, and/or representatives were also

performed as part of the assessment process. In addition, they were briefly informed on the Consumer Act of the Philippines and other fair trade laws. They were also initially oriented on the DTI Bagwis Program.

The DTI Bagwis Program which is formerly known as the DTI Certified Business Establishment

Program was launched in July 2006. The Bagwis Seal of Excellence is awarded to business establishments which are fair and honest in providing goods and services to consumers, and to enterprises which offer quality and safe products at affordable prices.

Retail establishments in



Laguna such as groceries, hardware stores, and DTI-accredited service and repair shops may join the DTI Bagwis Program. For more inquiries, kindly contact DTI-Laguna at r04a.laguna@dti.gov.ph (ALSLinga, DTI-Laguna).

## DepEd set to finish appointments in Teacher Education Council Secretariat

The appointments for the Teacher Education Council (TEC) Secretariat will be completed in due time, the Department of Education (DepEd) said on Wednesday.



A teacher and her students learn together at the Pedro Cruz Elementary School in San Juan City as it reopened its face-to-face classes. (INQUIRER file photo / GRIG C. MONTEGRANDE)

DepEd made the pronouncement in response to allegations by an unnamed advocacy group about alleged delays in the appointment of TEC officials.

The TEC drafts the requirements for teacher education programs.

It also proposes strategies to attract qualified individuals to the teaching profession.

“Contrary to the baseless insinuations made by a certain ‘advocacy group,’ DepEd understands the

importance of these appointments for the TEC’s functionality and the broader goal of enhancing teacher education and training,” it said in a statement.

“We also understand the need to abide by the proper processes, in relation to the creation of new plantilla items in government,” it noted.

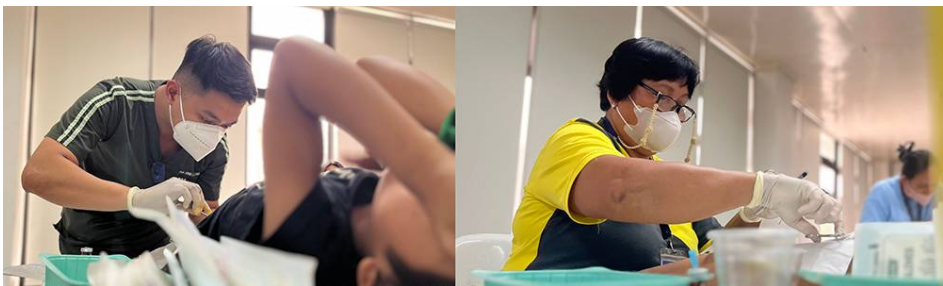
The council enumerated the steps taken for the appointments in the TEC Secretariat.

These actions include Vice President and

Education Secretary Sara Duterte’s meetings with the TEC and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM).

“As a result of the foregoing, the proposed organizational structure and staffing pattern (OSSP) of the TEC Secretariat was submitted to the DBM on 25 March 2024,” the DepEd said.

“The subject proposal was then approved by the DBM on 21 May 2024,” it added.



Young male Indangeños in transition to manhood. Continuing the promotion of proper hygiene habits among Caviteños, particularly among young males, the Operation Tuli program of the Cavite Provincial Government run on, once again, and visited the Municipality of Indang to render free circumcision at Indang Municipal Multi-Purpose Hall, on June 05, 2024. The OPHO medical practitioners, comprising of Dr. Patrick Ang - lead surgeon, Dr. Ruth Coleen Gonzales, Dr. Paul Armin De Luna, Dr. Mariel Joy Delgado, Mr. Vanderbilt Costa, and Ms. Jenny Lizardo, work alongside Dr. Rommel Vicedo and Ms. Melanie Perello of Indang RHU in helping the young males of Indang, as they bravely walk towards manhood. After undergoing the screening process, 77 Indangeños were successfully circumcised. Right after that, the needed medicines, such as antibiotics and painkillers, and mosquito repellent lotions were handed by the Office of the Provincial Governor to the adolescents. The program was graced with the presence of Indang Mayor Perfecto Fidel and 7th District Board Member Abeng Remulla, who expressed their esteemed appreciation to the service providers and the provincial government for the efforts exerted to help their constituents.

DOST Caraga... (FROM PAGE 8)

In her address, Ms Busa underscored the importance of transforming the city into a smart and sustainable urban area, with a particular focus on strengthening the agro-fishery sector. She also highlighted the immense potential of DOST programs in shaping a brighter future for the region.

Engr. Sancho A. Maborang, who is the Undersecretary for Regional Operations of the DOST, delivered an inspiring opening message, stressing the importance of embracing innovative technologies and DOST programs to support Caraga's economic sectors. He elaborated on how the integration of advanced science and technology initiatives can significantly bolster the fishery, agroforestry, mining, and ecotourism industries; and drive sustainable development and economic growth.

Engr. Maborang emphasized that these innovations, aligned with DOST's four pillars, are crucial in addressing regional challenges and opening up new opportunities for Caraga.

Hon. Maria Angelica Rosedell M. Amante, Governor of the Province of Agusan del Norte, who was represented by Hon. Board Member Erwin Dano, also discussed the significant role of the fishery, agroforestry, mining, and ecotourism sectors in the region's economy and how DOST initiatives are pivotal

in transforming these sectors through science, technology, and innovation.

A key highlight of the event was the signing of several Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) and Memoranda of Understanding (MOU), including agreements for the Caraga Food Innovation Consortium, CSU Forest Production Innovation and Testing Hub, CSU TARA Agri-Aqua Technology Business Incubator, ASSCAT Technology Business Incubator, RDLead for FSUU and NEMSU, and the Caraga RISE TBI Consortium. These agreements aim to foster collaboration and drive innovation across the region's key sectors, paving the way for significant advancements and growth.

Additionally, the event featured a commitment signing for the Smart and Sustainable Cities and Communities Program, reinforcing the region's dedication to sustainable development.

Outstanding adopters of the Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP) were also recognized for their exemplary use of technology to enhance their enterprises and contribute to regional development.

Engr. Noel M. Ajoc, Regional Director of DOST-CARAGA, introduced the keynote speaker, DOST Secretary Renato U. Solidum Jr.

In his keynote address,

Dr. Solidum discussed the vital role that DOST programs and initiatives play in advancing Caraga's priority sectors, as he emphasized the importance of science, technology, and innovation as driving forces for regional development.

Dr. Solidum also highlighted specific examples of how DOST's initiatives will transform the fishery, agroforestry, mining, and ecotourism sectors in Caraga, illustrating the tangible benefits and future potential of these programs.

He also called for continued collaboration to harness the full potential of technological advancements to reinforce the commitment to build a more sustainable future for the Caraga region.

Throughout the celebration, a diverse range of sessions, forums, and activities will be held, each meticulously designed to foster the growth of Caraga's priority sectors. Attendees will be afforded a unique opportunity to interact with industry experts, delve into cutting-edge innovations, and partake in discussions aimed at harnessing the potential of science, technology, and innovation to propel economic and sustainable development in the region.

As the 2024 RSTW unfolds in Caraga, it has emerged as a pivotal event uniting stakeholders, innovators, and the broader community. Serving as a platform to showcase the transformative influence of science and technology, it



reinforces the collective dedication to craft a resilient and prosperous future for the Caraga region through collaborative endeavors and forward-thinking solutions. (Nelson Santos)

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The program served 48 applicants who sought for better careers in the 26 participating companies. Likewise, eight national government agencies were present to provide services for those who are planning to join the corporate world.

Mendez Mayor Francisco Mendoza, Jr.,

graced the program, conveying his utmost gratitude to Governor Jonvic Remulla and Vice Governor Athena Tolentino for bringing the said program in their municipality and giving his constituents the opportunity to connect with various companies and employers.

"Kami po ay taos pusong nagpapasalamat dahil hindi ninyo nakakalimutan ang bayan ng Mendez para sa ganitong mga programa. Sana ay malaking porsyento ng mga nag-aaply ngayon ay matanggap ng iba't ibang kompanya dito sa Cavite."

Eight aspiring individuals were hired on-the spot, while others are continuing with the application procedures. (OPIO)

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Rillo also previously launched free hemodialysis treatment in Barangay UP Campus, through a licensed facility.

Hemodialysis procedure remains the No. 1 treatment package being claimed by Filipinos and their healthcare providers.

In 2023 alone, a total of 3,627,350 hemodialysis procedure claims were filed with state-run

Philippine Health Insurance Corp. (PhilHealth), which spent an aggregate of PHP17.4 billion to pay the claims.

The National Kidney and Transplant Institute (NKTI) previously said it is holding consultations with Congress and the Department of Health regarding possible amendments to Republic Act 7170 or the Organ

Donation Act and other related policies.

NKTI Public Health Unit head Dr. Maria Angeles Marbella noted an increase of 8,000 hemodialysis patients from 2023, higher than the estimated 2,000 to 3,000 reported in the past years.

NKTI data showed one Filipino develops chronic kidney failure every hour or about 120 Filipinos per million population every year. (PR)

Kidz Groove in partnership with SM Cares offers free dance workshop which teaches basic moves, builds confidence, and fosters a love for movement! Join us for a fun and exciting FREE dance workshop open for our friends with Autism, Down syndrome and IDD every Monday at 3pm only here at SM City Tanza!

# Filipino sculptor Atty. Elaine Antonio Bordeaux honored for contribution to arts and culture

Atty. Elaine Antonio Bordeaux, a Filipina Immigration Lawyer and sculptor was honored by the Provincial Government of Cavite through Sangguniang Panlalawigan Resolution No. 3145-2024, for being named as one of the 2023 Most Influential Filipina Women in the World by the Filipina Women's Network (FWN). The recognition ceremony took place at the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Session Hall, Legislative Building in Trece Martires City on June 5, 2024, marking a significant milestone in the illustrious career of the Filipino sculptor.

Atty. Bordeaux, renowned for her captivating sculptures that intricately blend Filipino heritage with contemporary artistry, has made a name for herself in the international art community. Her works, celebrated for their profound storytelling and intricate craftsmanship, have been featured in numerous galleries and exhibitions across the US, bringing Filipino culture to the forefront of the global art stage.

During the ceremony, esteemed officials of Cavite headed by Board Members Abeng Remulla and Kerby Salazar, along with PGC employees, gathered to honor Bordeaux's achievements. The event highlighted her dedication to promoting Filipino culture through her art, fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation of her heritage among diverse audiences.

In her acceptance speech, Bordeaux expressed her heartfelt gratitude for the recognition, emphasizing the importance of her roots in shaping her artistic journey. She acknowledged the unwavering support of her



family, mentors, and the Filipino community, which has been instrumental in her success.

Bordeaux's recognition serves as an inspiration to aspiring artists, proving that passion and perseverance

can lead to international acclaim. It also stands as a testament to the power of art in bridging cultures and fostering a sense of pride and unity among Filipinos worldwide. (OPIO)

# DOST programs to generate 6,000 more jobs for Filipinos in 2024

Butuan City - For many years, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) has continuously recognized the significant role of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in driving innovation, creating employment opportunities, and fostering economic growth in the country through its Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP).



SETUP is DOST's key strategy to stimulate investments in urban, peri-urban, and rural areas. Through the years, the SETUP has been transitioned to different phases of program implementation to make it relevant to the changing needs and requirements of MSMEs.

Under the program, assisted MSMEs have been empowered to address their technological problems through the acquisition of appropriate technologies, and the adoption of DOST-generated systems and other science and technology (S&T)-based interventions, such as

consulting and training services.

Among others, the SETUP assists MSMEs in testing their products for compliance with international standards, package and label their products, and create and manage databases and information systems. It also links them to national and international organizations for the provision of raw material sources, markets, training, financing, and equipment design and fabrication.

A visit to two of the successful SETUP-assisted MSMEs in the Caraga Region – the RM Wood Product Industry and the Villa Tuna Foods Corporation – offers a

glimpse to how these firms generated economic opportunities for local production in the region through technological initiatives.

The RM Wood Product Industry, owned and operated by Mr. Rodolfo B. Pertacorta, applied for SETUP assistance in 2022 to address rising production demands and market growth.

After the DOST intervention, the firm's workforce has grown to 118 from its previous 70 workers. It now produces eight to 10 crates of plywood per 24-hour shift and 2,220 sheets of veneer per day. It has likewise acquired assets estimated at PHP15,000,000.



Also, through the DOST Regional Office in Caraga, the firm plans to establish a laboratory that will specialize in wood, which is seen to generate additional jobs and improve the economic development of the region.

On the other hand, Mr. Archie Moreno, president of Villa Tuna Foods Corp., applied for SETUP assistance to expand his business and create job opportunities for those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The business is based in Montalban St., Bayanihan Pob. in Butuan City,

Through the SETUP program, the company acquired a 3,000-kilogram-capacity reefer van (cold storage), effectively cutting its storage expenses and improving its storage capabilities. Prior to the acquisition of the reefer van, the firm outsourced its storage requirements to Gentech.

Today, the company operates eight branches across Mindanao, including two (2) in Butuan City. The Montalban Branch alone has an estimated capitalization of PHP2,000,000.00, reflecting the company's steady growth and success.

The project visit to the two MSMEs was led by DOST Undersecretary for Regional Operations, Engr. Sancho A. Maborang, and DOST-Caraga Regional Director Noel Ajoc.

DOST vows to continue to improve its efforts to support and encourage MSMEs to embrace new technology and develop their entrepreneurial abilities to improve their operational effectiveness, increase productivity, and strengthen the competitiveness of their products and services.

Since 2022, DOST has assisted 9,612 firms and projects nationwide in the sectors of food

processing, furniture, marine and aquatic resources, agriculture, pharmaceuticals, ICT and electronics, gifts, housewares and decor, metals, and engineering.

For 2024, DOST programs such as SETUP and Community Empowerment thru Science and Technology (CEST) target to generate 6,000 jobs in various priority sectors in the entire country.

Additionally, DOST continuously invests in high-impact and sustainable programs that are significant in addressing national concerns, such as CEST and Smart and Sustainable Communities Program (SSCP). This is aligned with research priorities in four major areas, namely, human well-being promotion, wealth creation, wealth protection, and sustainability. (Dave Masirag)

# PH boxers hopeful in Paris Olympics campaign

The Association of Boxing Alliances in the Philippines (ABAP) is optimistic that its team going to the Paris Olympics can duplicate, if not surpass, the performance at the Tokyo Games.

ABAP secretary-general Marcus Jarwin Manalo said Nesthy Petecio (women's 57kg), Aira Villegas (women's 50kg), Hergie Bacyadan (women's 75kg), Carlo Paalam (men's 57kg) and Eumir Marcial (men's 80kg) are medal contenders.

"These five who qualify, we feel have a very good chance to podium and to go all the way," said Manalo, who joined the team in the Philippine Sportswriters Association (PSA) Forum at the conference hall of the Rizal Memorial Sports Complex on Tuesday.

"We're very optimistic that this is really a strong five that we're bringing (to the Paris Olympics)," he added.

Petecio and Paalam won silver medals while Marcial got a bronze at the Tokyo Games.

"Alam kong hindi ganun kadali ngayon yung pag-

dadaanan ko sa Paris especially iba siya sa Tokyo. Kasi sa Tokyo wala siyang exposure halos, walang laro, walang multi-training na ginawa. Ngayon open na. So hindi basta-basta gaya ng iniisip ng iba (I know that it will not be that easy for me to pass through Paris, especially since it is different from Tokyo. Because in Tokyo, there's almost no exposure, no games, no multi-training was done. Now it's open. So it's not as easy as others think)," said Petecio in the weekly session presented by San Miguel Corporation, Philippine Sports Commission, Philippine Olympic Committee, MILO, Smart/PLDT, and ArenaPlus, the leading sports entertainment gateway in the country.

"Iba na yung level ng mga boxers ngayon. Kung may pinaka-maliit pa na

butas ng karayom na pagdadaanan ko, mas maliit pa yung daan na gagawin ko dito (Today's boxers are on a different level. If there is the tiniest hole of a needle for me to pass through, the path I will make through is even smaller)," added Petecio, who was accompanied by Villegas, Bacyadan, and coaches Don Abnett, Reynaldo Galido, and Ronald Chavez.

PSC Chairman Richard Bachmann dropped by the forum and wished the boxers well in their campaign in Paris.

The Philippine contingent, including the boxing team, will be leaving on June 22 for their month-long training in Metz, France.

The Filipino boxers, however, will go to Germany on August 1 for a multi-nation training camp with other Olympic qualifiers. (PNA)



**OPTIMISTIC.** Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) Chairman Richard Bachmann (seated far right) with the Olympics-bound national boxing team during the Philippine Sportswriters Association (PSA) Forum at the Rizal Memorial Sports Complex on Tuesday (June 11, 2024). The Association of Boxing Alliances in the Philippines (ABAP) is optimistic about the team's campaign in Paris. (PSA photo)

## Perlas ng Silangan Basketball League unfolds July 24

The Perlas ng Silangan Basketball League, which is purely a development tournament, will kick off on July 24 at the Smart Araneta Coliseum in Quezon City.



**YOUTH SPORTS.** Perlas ng Silangan Basketball League officials grace the Philippine Sportswriters Association (PSA) Forum at the Rizal Memorial Sports Complex on Tuesday (June 11, 2024). The league will kick off on July 24 at the Smart Araneta Coliseum. (PSA photo)

Competitions are in the Under-11, Under-13, Under-15, Under-17, Under-19 and Under-21 categories.

"This is a new developmental league that will cover at least seven regions. What makes this tournament different is that we will approach the youth. We will create a platform and reach out to everyone," league founder Christian Ensomo said Tuesday during the Philippine Sportswriters Association (PSA) forum at the Rizal Memorial Sports Complex.

Participating local government units are Bulacan, Caloocan, Quezon City, Manila, Paranaque

and Taytay in Rizal.

The National Capital Region leg will be held at the Amoranto Stadium in Quezon City and San Andres Gym in Manila, while there are plans to hold the competition in the Cordillera Region then Bicol, Cebu, Davao and Cagayan de Oro.

"The top teams will head to the nationals by the end of the year. At stake are the bragging rights as the best in your region and the first-ever national champion for Perlas ng Silangan," Ensomo said in the weekly session presented by San Miguel Corporation, Philippine Sports

Commission, Philippine Olympic Committee, Smart/PLDT, MILO, and ArenaPlus, the leading sports entertainment gateway in the country.

"This is purely and strictly developmental for players who have not joined yet other commercial leagues," he added.

Also present were league co-founder Nato Agbayani and consultant Rudolfo Aquino.

"Our advocacy is youth development, the life skills of the young players," said Agbayani, who announced that former PBA star Rodney Santos will serve as league commissioner. (PNA)

## PSC Invitational Golf Cup eyes at least P2-M for Olympians

The Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) Invitational Golf Cup aims to raise at least PHP2 million for the benefit of athletes going to the Paris Olympics and Paralympic Games.



**FUND RAISING.** Philippine Sports Commission Commissioner Fritz Gaston talks about the PSC Invitational Golf Cup during the Philippine Sportswriters Association (PSA) Forum at Rizal Memorial Sports Complex conference hall in Manila on Tuesday (June 11, 2024). The tournament, which will be held at the Canlubang Golf and Country Club in Laguna on June 14, aims to raise additional funds for athletes going to the Paris Olympics and Paralympic Games. (PSA photo)

The tournament will be held on June 14 at Canlubang Golf and Country Club in Laguna.

PSC Commissioner Fritz Gaston said organizers are optimistic in reaching the target.

"The cash we will raise there is between PHP2 million to PHP2.5 million. That's what the (PSC) Chairman (Richard Bachmann) said, that's what he can raise in terms of cash," Gaston said during the Philippine Sportswriters Association (PSA) Forum at Rizal Memorial Sports Complex conference hall in Manila on Tuesday.

He said proceeds of the event will go to the Olympics-bound athletes as well as the differently-abled qualifiers.

The Olympics is scheduled on July 26 to

Aug. 11, while the Paralympic Games will be from Aug. 28 to Sept. 8.

"Precisely, that's our target. When we talked of Olympians, the para athletes are included," Gaston said. "Because what happens is that all Olympians are only given (financial support) when they win. So at least, they have allowance."

So far, 15 athletes are going to the Olympics -- pole vaulter EJ Obiena; boxers Eumir Marcial, Carlo Paalam, Aira Villegas, Nesthy Petecio and Hergie Bacyadan; gymnasts Carlos Yulo, Aleah Finnegan, Levi Jung-Ruivivar and Emma Malabuyo; weightlifters John Ceniza, Elreen Ann Ando and Vanessa Sarno; rower Joanie Delgado; and fencer Sam Catantan.

Qualified for the Paralympics are

swimmers Ernie Gawilan and Angel Otom, taekwondo jin Allain Keanue Ganapin, and archer Agustina Bantiloc. Gaston said athletes who will be included in the Paris-bound contingent at the last minute will also get their share.

Some 120 are expected to join the golf event, composed of national athletes, PSC and Philippine Olympic Committee officials, celebrities, sponsors, sports media and paying participants.

Gaston said Barangay Ginebra team captain LA Tenorio has confirmed participation.

Bachmann will hit the ceremonial tee, along with former PSA president and retired Philippine Star sports editor Lito Tacujan. (PNA)

# AlQueRez food processors receive DOST Quezon GMP Training

To increase food safety awareness of food processors from Alabat, Quezon, and Perez, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Quezon conducted a formal training on Food Safety Hazards (FSH) and Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) at Alabat, Quezon, June 4-6, 2024.



Workshops about physical hazards, cross-contamination, food contact surface, proper hand washing, discussion on GMP guidelines and quality management, and open forum were participated by more than

30 attendees. Mr. John Michael Florendo, SSRS, Ms. Sydney Mae Tadosa, SRS I, and Ms. Raiza Lyn Antenor, PTA I, all from the DOST Quezon Food Safety Team, served as resource speakers. They also

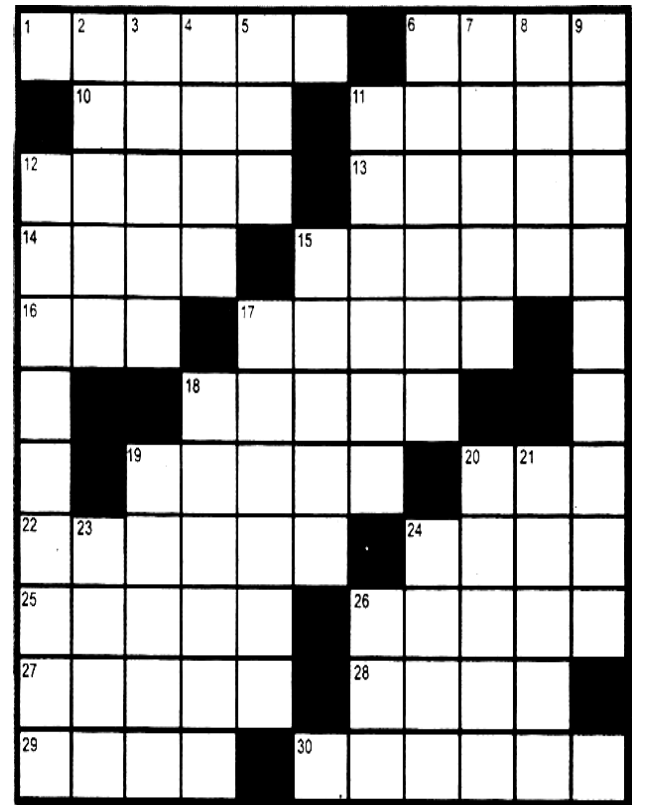
facilitated the food safety compliance audit and processing facilities' plant layout on the various food processors in the island, including DOST assisted organizations. The activity pushed through the partnership of

DOST Quezon, Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Alabat, Office of the Municipal Agriculture (OMA) Alabat, and the Local Government Units (LGU) of Alabat, Quezon, and Perez. **(By Unice Faith Cataquiz)**



PGC's Operation Tuli Program in Tres Cruces, Tanza. On June 6, 2024, the Cavite provincial government successfully carried out another round of the Operation Tuli Program in Barangay Tres Cruces, Tanza, Cavite. This initiative aimed to promote health and hygiene to qualified young adolescent boys. During the event, medical health professionals from General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital (GEAMH) and Tanza Rural Health Unit (RHU) provided their services to 121 young males who availed of the free circumcision. In addition to the procedure, the beneficiaries received free antibiotics, pain relievers, and mosquito repellent lotion from OPG staff, to aid in their recovery and overall health. The program's success was credited to the collaborative efforts of Barangay Chairperson Eduard G. Toledo, local officials, medical health practitioners, and staff. Their combined efforts ensured that the event ran smoothly and effectively, providing necessary medical services to the community.

## PALAI SIPAN



### PAHALANG

- 1 Panggagaya
- 6 Usok
- 10 Kapal
- 11 Asarol
- 12 Karakter ni Gerald Anderson
- 13 Uri ng kabibi
- 14 Hilig
- 15 Dahon ng babasahin
- 16 Dating alkalde ng Maynila
- 17 Putol na ulo
- 18 Masid
- 19 Indak
- 20 Dag-is
- 22 Baitang
- 24 Uri ng punong- kahoy
- 25 Tikas
- 26 Sulsol
- 27 Mamahaling bato
- 28 Asawa ni mare

- 29 Pusta
- 30 Pananagana

### PABABA

- 2 Itiklop
- 3 Taguri sa maestra
- 4 Hayop na lumilipad
- 5 Pang-ukol
- 6 Uri ng isda
- 7 Karamdaman
- 8 Unang lalaki
- 9 Pagseselos
- 11 Dahong medisinal
- 12 Sumbbrero
- 15 Talilis
- 17 Komiko
- 18 Matangay
- 19 Pugad ng ibon
- 20 Ihinto ang sasaky
- 21 Daang-bakal
- 23 Loterya
- 24 Paggawa ng asir
- 26 Renta

## SAGOT SA NAKARAAN



Dagdag  
Kaalaman

Ang Benguet na tinaguriang "Salad Bowl of the Philippines" ay ang unang lalawigan sa Pilipinas na nagkaroon ng civil government noong panahon ng mga Amerikano.

# GCV Campaign Philippines participated in the nation's Independence Day Celebration

Just as our nation fought for its independence, we in Pi Network are on a journey towards financial freedom and sovereignty.



As we join the nation in celebrating this historic day, our parade will symbolize the strides we've made. It will reflect our unity, resilience, and determination to achieve our goals, just like our forefathers did for our country.

Happy Independence Day, Pi Network community! Let's continue our journey towards freedom and prosperity, hand in hand. **(Lumari - Global GCV Ambassador)**

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### BYPASS ROAD SA BUHAY NA TUBIG, IMUS CITY, ISA SA MGA PROYEKTONG ISINULONG NI SENATOR BONG GO

Matapos tumulong sa mga kababayan natin kapus-palad at bisitahin ang Super Health Center, ininspeksyon naman ni Senator Bong Go ang pinapagawang bypass road sa Buhay na Tubig, Imus City, Cavite, ngayong Martes, June 11, 2024.



Ang kalsadang ito ang magkokonekta sa Buhay na Tubig papunta sa Bahayang Pag-asa, Imus City. Sa tulong nito, mapapadali na ang biyahe pabalik at papunta sa dalawang major community zones ng siyudad.

Malaki ang pasasalamat nina Congressman Adrian Advincula, Mayor Alex Advincula, Vice Mayor Homer Saquilayan at iba pang mga lokal na opisyal sa suportang ibinigay ni Senator Kuya Bong Go sa konstruksyon ng bypass road bilang vice chair ng Senate Committee on Finance.

Iyan si Senator Kuya Bong Go, bisyo ang magserbisyo! **#SenatorBongGo #MrMalasakit #BisyoAngMagserbisyo**

### Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino, Nakiisa sa Mental Health Awareness Month



Bilang pakikiisa ng Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino sa Mental Health Awareness Month, isinagawa ang Mental Health Caravan noong 29 Mayo 2024 sa pakikipagtulungan sa National Center for Mental Health. Sa tagubilin na rin ng Komisyon sa Serbisyo Sibil at paalala ni Tagapangulong Karlo Nograles "agency heads and officials must recognize that the quality of public service delivered to stakeholders depends on government workers' physical and mental health."

Masiglang nakiisa ang mga kawani sa gawain na naglalayong palawakin ang kaalaman at pag-uwana sa usapin ng "mental health" o kalusugang pangkaisipan. Kabilang sa mga tinalakay ang mga paraan sa pangangalaga at pagpapatili ng isang malusog na kaisipan. Idinaos ito sa Bulwagang Romualdez ng KWF.



698 na Senior Citizens ng City of Carmona, nakakuha ng Social Pension mula sa DSWD: Pinangunahan ng City Social Welfare and Development Office ang pamamahagi ng social pension mula sa Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Regional Office para sa 698 na senior citizens ng City of Carmona. Ang layon ng nasabing program ay upang makatulong sa mga minamahal nating mga nakatatanda sa pamamagitan ng pag-abot ng financial assistance na makakatulong sa araw-araw na pangangailangan gaya ng pagkain at gamot. **#CityOfCarmona #LungsodNgCarmona #LGUCarmona #BayanMunaLagi #DapatAngatLahat**

### DOST Caraga elevates economic opportunities at

THE Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Regional Office XIII (Caraga) proudly launched its Regional Science and Technology Week (RSTW) that will be held from June 6-9, 2024, at the North Atrium of the Robinsons Butuan in Butuan City.



With the theme "Innovate for Impact: Transforming Caraga's Fishery, Agroforestry, Mining, and Ecotourism Economy through Science, Technology, and Innovation," this year's RSTW promises to be a landmark event, focusing on the transformative potential of science and technology in the region's key economic sectors, particularly in fishery, agroforestry, mining, and ecotourism.

The event aims to foster growth and sustainability through an array of sessions, forums, and activities, where participants will delve into the latest advancements, innovations, and strategies that can propel Caraga towards a more prosperous future.

The three-day event commenced with a warm welcome message from Hon. Ronnie Vicente C. Lagnada, Mayor of Butuan City, which was delivered by Butuan City Councilor and chair for the Committee on Science and Technology, Hon. Cherry Mae G. Busa.

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